Irregularities in Purchases in KV, Bhopal

1854. SHRIGAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 243 given in the Rajya Sabha on 1st March, 2002 and state:

(a) whether the irregularities in purchases by the Kendriya Vidyalaya No.1 Bhopal pointed out by CBI have since been examined and the action against concerned officials initiated;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (c) As a part preliminary inquiry explanation has been called for from the concerned officials.

Funds for education to states

† 1855. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 660 given in the Rajya Sabha on 23rd November, 2001 and state the details of funds to states allotted for education, including Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: State-wise budget allocations are not made under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes administered by the Department. Grants are, however, released to State Governments keeping in view the proposals received, availably of resources and progress of utilization of funds earlier released under each scheme.

Water Management and Water Harvesting Courses in Universities

1856. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2806 given in the Rajya Sabha on 14th December, 2001 and state:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether Government have since finalised the model syllabus guidelines the modalities etc. for introduction of courses on Water Management and Water Harvesting at school and University levels;

(b) if so, details thereof and the main contents of studies; and

(c) how many schools and universities have been selected for introduction of these courses, particularly in Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission the model syllabus, guidelines, modalities, etc. for introduction of courses on Water Management/Water Harvesting in the Universities have not so far been finalized. However, Pandit Sundarlal Sharma Central Institute of Vocational Education, NCERT, Bhopal has developed competency based Vocational Curriculum on 'Watershed Management' for plus two level students. It aims to train the students in Watershed Management so that they can:—

(i) Develop small scale irrigation and water supply structures for human beings and lovestock through water and soil conservation strategies;

(ii) Formulate and execute long term developmental programmes in agriculture, animal husbandry and forestry taking into account their effect on the environment;

(iii) Promote local initiatives for the integrated development and management of water resources; and

(iv) Provide technical support to the development and management of watershed scheme.

Computer education centres in Madhya Pradesh

† 1857. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a computer education centre in every Government school/colleges in the country;

(b) if so, the names of Government schools/colleges in Madhya Pradesh where such centres are proposed to be set up; and

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